

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER
JANUARY 8, 2013**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, January 8, 2013, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm then called the roll:

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Board member Timothy Bell	Present
Board member David Prechtel	Present

Also present were Police Chief J. Michael Bennett, Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang, City Attorney Renee Kabrick, and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm. Building Commissioner/Zoning Administrator Darla Blazey was absent.

Clerk-Treasurer Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. All three board members were present; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meetings held on December 11 and December 26, 2012 and the memorandum of the executive session held on December 19, 2012. Thereafter, a **motion** was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

CLAIMS

Board members reviewed the claims from December 7, 2012 to January 3, 2013. Thereafter, a **motion** was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by David Prechtel to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

Acknowledgement. Mayor Seitz acknowledged the public safety departments and the street department for its efforts done during the holidays.

AXIOM AGREEMENT

Mayor Seitz said the City has reviewed an agreement for 2013 with Axiom Marketing for the train advertising and other services. The agreement fees

are \$12209 train advertising, \$3130 television production, \$2250 website design, and \$3210 for brand and graphics.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to adopt a professional agreement for consulting services with LJOT dba Axiom. Motion carried 3-0.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

Mayor Seitz presented a conflict of interest disclosure statement that was submitted by Kit Miracle. Miracle is the Arts Director and personally creates postcards that are sold to the park department.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to accept the statement. Motion carried 3-0.

REPORTS

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett reported that the Diocese of Evansville asked the Jasper Police Department to assist Holy Family and Precious Blood Schools by conducting an active shooter training session. Sgt. Lee will conduct the training.

Bennett thanked the Dubois County Substance Abuse Council for an \$1186.24 grant last year for maintenance of the data master breathalyzer.

SEEK SEMI ROAD TRACTORS

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle asked permission to start the process for seeking quotes for two used semi road tractors. He said the department wants to tear apart and take the bed off of the 1967 and 68 armory trucks and install them on these semi road tractors. They will prepare a set of minimum specs, look for the trucks, and then see what is the best bid.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to authorize the street department to start the process and look for two used semi road tractors and handle the truck bids. Motion carried 3-0.

HARTFORD DRIVE STORM SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT

At the December 26, 2012 meeting, quotes for the Hartford Drive Storm Sewer Replacement project were taken under advisement.

City Engineer Chad Hurm said he recommends accepting the low quote for \$36,765.00 from Lechner's Inc.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to accept the city engineer's recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

STREET CLOSURE

City Engineer Chad Hurm asked permission to close Hartford Drive during the storm sewer project work.

A **motion** was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by David Prechtel to close Hartford Drive during construction of the storm sewer project. Motion carried 3-0.

UPDATE

City Engineer Chad Hurm gave an update on the South Newton Storm Sewer project. He said all pipe is in ground. The contractor needs to bring some dirt back in.

ALPINE INVESTMENT AGREEMENTS

City Engineer Chad Hurm said the City received a draft copy of two agreements with Alpine Investment Properties regarding the country club property.

Bill Kaiser, representing Alpine Investments, said Alpine has entered into a contract to purchase a portion of the country club property. They need two things from the City for this transaction. The first item is drainage. Alpine is purchasing some land for additional parking. This surface will cause more runoff and drainage. Currently the water drains out of the property into a lake. Alpine needs permission from the City to accommodate the additional drainage if the City purchases the portion of the country club property that contains the lake. The cost for any drainage improvements would be borne by Alpine.

David Prechtel said he has some concerns. What happens if down the road the City develops the area and we do not want the lake? Kaiser said currently the country club property owner and any subsequent owner already has the right to drain into the lake. Hurm said if the City purchases this land we would need to have a retention plan.

Kaiser said Alpine is looking for approval or acknowledgement by the Board. Mayor Seitz said since this is the first board members have heard of this matter and since the City does not own the land, he thinks the City needs some flexibility. City Attorney Renee Kabrick said the Board could give the city attorney and city engineer the authority to work with Kaiser on the agreement.

Hurm said the second agreement concerns a sanitary sewer connection. If the City purchases the property and if in the future the sanitary sewer line is extended to the lower 40 acres, Alpine wants the ability to connect to the sanitary sewer at Alpine's cost if economically feasible. The purpose of this is so Alpine could eliminate the pump station that is currently used.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to grant the agreement for the right to connect to the sanitary sewer. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the board, a **motion** was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Mayor Seitz to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved ____ with X without corrections or clarification this 22nd day of January, 2013.

Mayor Terry Seitz
Presiding Officer

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer